Scrapping of PESB's recommended panel

@*344. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of occasions on which PESB's recommended panel had been scrapped for reasons other than vigilance/corruption since formation of Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) in 1987; and

(b) the details thereof, year-wise and unit-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) and (b) The information on the number of occasions on which PESB's recommended panel had been scrapped since 1987, is not maintained centrally. However, the information in respect of penals since the year 2004, has been compiled and is given below:

Year	No. of Penals Recommended by PESB	No. of Penals scrapped for reasons other than vigilance clearance
2004	112	1
2005	158	6
2006	130	4
2007 (till 24.4.2007)	34	4

Joint declaration at SAARC Summit

*345. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the joint declaration issued after the conclusion of the SAARC Summit held in New Delhi, recently; and

(b) to what extent, it is expected to improve bilateral relations between India and Pakistan?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) The 14th SAARC Summit held in New Delhi on

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